

# NEW ENGLAND CLEAN ENERGY CORRIDOR

## *Cleaner Electricity. Straight to Maine.*

Maine has the opportunity to create high-paying local jobs by importing clean, renewable hydro-electric power from our neighbor to the north. The New England Clean Energy Corridor (NECEC) directly benefits Mainers by delivering cleaner energy, lowering electric costs throughout the state, and expanding broadband access in Western Maine.

The NECEC will generate \$18 million a year in new tax revenue for host communities, supporting first responders, schools, local infrastructure, and property tax relief; \$15 million for fiber optic cable and broadband expansion in Somerset and Franklin counties; \$15 million for electric vehicle infrastructure; and \$10.5 million for economic development and funding of regional tourism in Western Maine.

The project will create over 1,600 good-paying construction jobs and invest \$200 million dollars in upgrades to the grid. In fact, work on the project has already started in Somerset County, employing 360 workers who are Maine residents and paying an average of \$38 per hour, plus benefits. According to the Maine Center for Business and Economic Research, the project will add over a half-billion dollars to Maine's economy.

The NECEC protects Maine's valuable forest with a small footprint, impacting only 964 total acres while permanently conserving more than 40,000 acres in the same area. By comparison, Maine's woodland owners typically harvest timber on over 400,000 acres a year, according to the Maine Forest Service.

The NECEC will provide \$140 million in direct electric rate relief to Mainers. NECEC will also reduce wholesale electricity prices by more than \$350 million over the next 15 years. And the NECEC has committed \$50 million to helping low-income customers in Maine reduce their energy bills.

Best of all, NECEC won't cost Mainers a dime.

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